

FACTORY FROLIC OPENS TO RECORD CROWD



ALL IN FUN . . . "Chief Goon" Bob Haggard, right, and Deputy Paul Diamond, "sympathize" with one of their "victims", playfully manacled for his appearance in the Factory Frolic committee's Kangaroo Court on El Prado. Playing the part of the offender because he could not produce his Factory Frolic cap is Principal John Steinbaugh of Torrance High School, who promised to mend his ways by wearing his cap, paid a nominal fine and was released. The goon squad then voted him into their "good sports" club.



LADY ENGINEER . . . The Factory Frolic Special, a miniature train drawn by a real steam engine that is an exact copy of a 100-ton railroad locomotive, is oiled up for its five-day run by Mrs. Bertha Hedberg, executive secretary of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce. The train, which drew a large crowd of onlookers as well as riders at the Frolic's opening last night, is but one of features of the Pan-American Amusement shows engaged for the Frolic.

'Miss Industry' Candidate Race to End Saturday

It's Tallulah Nagy, Burna Morris, Cubie Bohannon, D'Oro Whiting and Lee Walker—all five in that order—in the race for the title of "Miss Industry," which ends at 1 p.m. Saturday. Relative standings of the five contestants remained the same this week as last week with Tallulah out in front with a total

THREE BANDS WILL ENLIVEN HUGE PARADE

Three brass bands and the crack drum and bugle corps of Wilmington Post of the American Legion will feature Saturday's mammoth parade which will highlight the 1948 Factory Frolic, it was announced yesterday by James Van Dyke, chairman of the parade committee. The Wilmington Drum and Bugle Corps recently won the Class B state-wide competition in the Legion's San Francisco convention.

Police Chief John Stroh will serve as marshal of the parade, which will form in front of Torrance High School at 12:30 p.m. and move off promptly at 1 o'clock. Members of the Torrance City Council and the Chamber of Commerce will follow the parade marshal in decorated cars.

Five convertibles are being furnished by the Torrance New Car Dealers for the five candidates for the honor of being named "Miss Industry" Saturday night—Cubie Bohannon, Tallulah Nagy, Burna Morris, Lee Walker and D'Oro Whiting.

Other parade units will follow in approximately this order, although last-minute entries may require change in order of certain units. Van Dyke explained: The 578th Engineer Battalion of the National Guard, commanded by Maj. Clyde Carpenter. The battalion will be composed of about 100 men and 8 motorized units.

Fortieth Infantry Division Band of Los Angeles. Float and 50 costumed students from Torrance Pueblo Center; Rudolf Rivera, supervisor. Torrance Area Youth Bands. Bicycle unit entered by Torrance Cycle and Fix-it Shop.

Veterans' Community Band of Long Beach. Motorized unit from Sanitized Beaches, Inc., Torrance. Motorized units from Torrance New Car Dealers including Paul's Chevrolet, Thatcher and Ott (Plymouth and DeSoto), Schultz and Peckham (Ford), and Mullins Service (Oldsmobile).

Youth groups from Torrance Y.M.C.A.; Milton Isbell, director. Boy and Girl Scout troops from this area; R. L. Kuest, director. "German Band" furnished by Don Carper's Music Center.

Motorized unit from Johnson Tractor Sales, Torrance. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shelton of 4601 Torrance boulevard will enter their matched bays in the parade, and Van Dyke said last night that he expected favorable replies from a number of owners of other prize horses who have been asked to participate in the parade.

The Good Luck Riding Academy of Lomita was added to the list of parade entries Wednesday afternoon. Pal Spencer, 8-year-old San Pedro singer and dancer, also

*vote of 34,200. Standings of the five girls Wednesday noon were:

Tallulah	34,200
Burna	25,100
Cubie	22,860
D'Oro	17,930
Lee	2,800

Burna Morris pulled up from third place last week to second place this week to take back from Cubie Bohannon the position Cubie took from her in the second week of the contest. The prize for second place is a \$150 wardrobe and the third place prize is a \$75 wardrobe.

Final results of the race will be made public Saturday in the exhibit tent at the Factory Frolic when Al Ewalt of the Bank of America will hand to the master of ceremonies at the Frolic a sealed envelope containing the final standings of the quintet.

At that time Miss Industry will be presented with her prizes including a ticket from Arrow Airways to New York. In New York she will visit for five days as the guest of the Factory Frolic Committee.

All girls have been instructed to report to Ewalt their final ticket sales at 1 p.m. Saturday, at which time an accounting of all ticket sales will be made.

Attend the Frolic!

Council Votes Down Mud Pit in CCMO Area

Torrance City Council this week overruled the City Planning Commission in granting a zoning variance that would have permitted the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company to conduct heavy industry operations in the west central section of the city. The company wants to erect warehouses and mixing tanks for lease to the Brown Mud Company, to manufacture emulsions used in drilling oil wells, according to the application.

The location is on a part of the 50-acre tract owned by CCMO on the west side of Madrona avenue approximately midway between Carson street and Torrance boulevard, and immediately adjoins a heavy industry zone.

Councilman Bob Haggard said it would spoil the surrounding area for residential purposes if any expansion of heavy industry is permitted there. The three other councilmen present concurred with him, making a four-fifths vote against the proposal which nullifies the planning commission's action.

Mayor J. Hugh Sherfy Jr., is attending a mortician's convention in Cleveland.

The council also overruled the planning commission's action in denying Miguel Yniguez a zoning variance to maintain a fruit and vegetable stand at the northwest corner of Crenshaw and 182nd street, to sell produce from his own property. Councilman Nicholas Dralle said that the stand had been in operation for several weeks and that there was no evidence of a traffic hazard, such as the planning body feared.

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Schools Show Gain of 417 in Enrollment

Educational Exhibits Await Visitors to Factory Frolic

"An Education in Industry" could well be the theme of the exhibits at this year's Factory Frolic, judging from the imposing list of exhibitors and their products which were thrown open to the public last night for a five-day run. First exhibits installed were American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corporation's new "made in Torrance" line, Torrance Camera Club, General Petroleum Corp., Old Colony paints, Torrance Terrace Garden Club, A-1 Photo Service and Columbia Steel, the latter being a model of a steel mill.

The Factory Frolic reporter found General Petroleum's model of a refinery the first educational exhibit to be demonstrated. It features the Thermofor Catalytic cracking process, by which more than 50 percent of the vaporized gasoline which is fed into the units can be "cracked" into a fine grade of high octane gasoline.

Possibly your reporter was impressed by this because G.P.'s huge Torrance refinery is only one of the major oil refineries not hit by the current strike. But he was also impressed because it is the largest installation of its kind in the world, and the 14-foot panorama in the exhibit tent shows exactly how it works.

While other cracking units use heat alone to accomplish the change, the TCC units at GP pass the hot oil vapor

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Board of Education Employs Teachers, Fixes New Policy

Provision for the services of two part-time teachers and one more full-time elementary school teacher has been made by the Board of Education, effective with the beginning of the new school year this week.

Alice B. Hammond will be employed five-sixths time as registrar in the high school office, under the arrangement, and one-sixth time as a secondary teacher, at an additional salary of \$616.66 annually. Mary Ann Schneider is being employed on one-third time as secondary teacher, at additional salary of \$1150 annually.

The board at its last meeting established the following policy with regard to special instructional personnel who have responsibilities in connection with coordinating the program of the entire district: "Upon recommendation of the superintendent certain co-

ordinating positions may be established by the Board of Education. Personnel who fill these positions will be placed upon the appropriate regular salary schedule based upon their experience and training, with an added \$500 per annum for extra responsibilities in connection with coordinating the district program."

Employment of the following bus drivers at \$1.35 per hour was approved: Marion Ormand, Mildred Crowther, George A. Hebert, Glenn Zachery and Robert K. Wallace, the latter two being high school students. Don Sturgis also was employed as

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HEADS KIWANIS . . . Dr. Howard A. Wood, who was elected president of the Torrance Kiwanis Club at Monday night's meeting.

H. A. Wood Kiwanis Head Coming Year

Dr. Howard A. Wood, president of the Torrance Board of Education, was elected president of the Torrance Kiwanis Club at a meeting held at Daniels Cafe Monday night.

Dr. Wood will take office in January along with the other newly-elected officers including Bob Haggard, first vice president; Park Montague, second vice president and Kay Rogers, treasurer.

Members of the board of directors who were elected at the meeting are Verne Gill, Harry Greenwood, Keith Jones, Paul Loranger, Homer Morgan, Chas. Ragsdale and E. E. Wilson.

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Watts This? It Was Fog!

If you were late for work this week because your electric alarm clock stopped during the night—blame it on the fog.

Edison Company officials reported that heavy fogs during the early morning hours of this week caused several "electric leaks" that ignited power poles. In one case a cross-arm burned off and interrupted the power supply for several hours, and a lot of watts escaped.

DAILY FROLIC PROGRAM

Thursday, Sept. 16—Midway and concessions open 3:11 p.m. Exhibit tent open 6:11 p.m. Entertainment in exhibit tent at 8, 9 and 10 p.m., featuring Steve Hornick and his family troupe. Two door prizes to be awarded after each hourly entertainment program.

Friday, Sept. 17—Midway and concessions open 3:11 p.m. Exhibit tent open 6:11 p.m. Entertainment in exhibit tent at 8, 9 and 10 p.m. by the Torrance Area Youth Band. Six door prizes.

Saturday, Sept. 18—Parade through city business district at 1 p.m. Midway and concessions open 2 to 11 p.m. Exhibit tent open 6:11 p.m. Entertainment in exhibit tent at 8, 9 and 10 p.m. Naming of the winner of the "Miss Industry" contest at 10 p.m. Six door prizes.

Sunday, Sept. 19—Midway open 1:11 p.m. Exhibit tent open 3:11 p.m. Entertainment in exhibit tent at 8, 9 and 10 p.m., featuring Ted Curry and his Dance Combo. Six door prizes.

'Every Hour on the Hour'—Someone Receives an Award

"Every hour on the hour," starting at 8 o'clock every night of the big Factory Frolic, someone holding a ticket to the exhibit tent receives an award through the courtesy of some local merchant. Drawings are at 8, 9 and 10 p.m.

More than 30 awards, each representing actual values of \$15, make up the prizes, according to Sam Levy, pioneer merchant and committee chairman. Official announcement

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HIGH SCHOOL, FERN AVENUE REVEAL DROP

Walteria elementary school led all the schools in the Torrance Unified district in enrollment with the re-opening of schools this week. Enrollment there jumped from 161 pupils last year to a record-breaking figure of 415 for 1948.

Throughout the district, a total of 2937 students had enrolled as of Wednesday noon, according to the superintendent's office. This compares with 2320 on the third day last year, a gain of 417.

Torrance High School and Fern Avenue Elementary school each showed a decrease in enrollment, for some unexplained reason. Torrance High School showed a drop of 44 and Fern avenue a drop of 41 pupils.

A total jump for all four of Torrance's elementary schools was held to 376 by the opening of the new Nativity Par-

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REMEMBER? . . . When Fay L. Parks was general chairman of the 1939 Factory Frolic? This is the general committee, wearing the correct morning, afternoon and evening gear for the 1939 event. Bottom row, left to right: Parks, William H. Tolson, the city's mayor; E. E. Murchison, Carl Marsteller. Second row: Harry Abramson, Alden W. Smith, Tom Dougherty, Dr. O. E. Fossum, secretary of the committee; and Michael Strasser, former editor of The Herald. Top row: Jack Miller, J. B. Scotton, Robert J. Deininger, Earl Conner (with mustachio) Howard Locke, Vernon Coil and Dean L. Sears.

Riviera Group 'Calls' Palos Verdean on Road Work Appeal

Torrance taxpayers should not be asked to improve any street solely for the convenience of the residents of Palos Verdes Estates, the Torrance City Council was told Tuesday night by Comm. William A. Mason, president of the Hollywood-Riviera Home Owners Association.

Commander Mason told the Council he and other taxpayers in the Hollywood-Riviera section of Torrance were considerably irked by a letter which appeared in the Palos Verdes News, signed by Loring L. Bigelow, complaining of the "extremely rough condition of Hawthorne boulevard as it enters Palos Verdes Estates from Walteria."

"Mr. Bigelow says in conclusion that 'only through bitter protest to the city of Torrance can this situation be remedied,' Commander Mason told the City Council.

"As a citizen and a taxpayer of Torrance I am strongly urge that no funds be expended by the city street department to repair roads for the convenience of Palos Verdes Estates unless that city removes the barriers which they have erected across the streets between that city and Hollywood Riviera."

The barriers consist of iron posts imbedded in the street at four-foot intervals on the Palos Verdes city boundary line and have been the subject of considerable comment. The Council referred his letter to the committee of the whole.